

the Receiver-General shall retain in his hands any moneys payable to any Municipality, if it is certified to him by the Provincial Secretary that the Clerk of such Municipality has not made the Returns hereinbefore required; and any person so required to make any Return by a particular day who fails so to do, shall be liable to a penalty of not more than twenty dollars, to be paid to the Receiver-General for the use of the Province, to be recovered as last aforesaid.

160. The Provincial Secretary shall, as soon as may be after the commencement of every Session, lay before both Houses of the Legislature a copy of all Returns hereinbefore required to be made.

Provincial Secretary to lay the returns before Parliament.

CHAMBERLAIN AND TREASURER.

161. Every City Council shall appoint a Chamberlain, and every other Council shall appoint a Treasurer; and every Chamberlain and Treasurer, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall give such security as the Council directs for the faithful performance of his duties, and especially for duly accounting for and paying over all moneys which may come into his hands; provided that it shall be the duty of every Municipal Council in each and every year to enquire into the validity of the security given by such Chamberlain or Treasurer and report thereon.

Chamberlain or Treasurer to be appointed.

To give security.

Proviso.

162. Every Treasurer and Chamberlain respectively shall receive and safely keep all moneys belonging to the Corporation, and shall pay out the same to such persons and in such manner as the Laws of the Province and the lawful By-laws or resolutions of the Council direct; but no member of the Corporation shall receive any money from such Treasurer for any work performed or to be performed; and such Chamberlain or Treasurer shall not be liable to any action at law for any moneys paid by him in accordance with any By-law or resolution passed by the Municipal Council of the Municipality of which he is the Chamberlain or Treasurer.

To receive and take care of and disburse moneys, &c.

His liability limited.

163. The Treasurer or Chamberlain of every Municipality for which any sum of money has been raised on the credit of the Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund, shall, so long as any part of such sum, or of the interest thereon, remains unpaid by such Municipality, transmit to the Board of Audit, on or before the Fifteenth day of January in every year, a Return, certified on the oath of the Treasurer or Chamberlain before some Justice of the Peace, containing the amount of taxable property in the Municipality according to the then last Assessment-Roll or Rolls,—a true Account of all the Debts and Liabilities of the Municipality for every purpose, for the then last year,—and such further information and particulars with regard to the liabilities and resources of the Municipality, as the Governor in Council may from time to time require, under a penalty,

To make a return yearly to the Provincial Board of Audit.

How attested and what it must shew.